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Foreword

This special edition of the Dalhousie Law Journal includes selected papers from the 4th East Coast Seminar of the Canadian Energy Law Foundation. The scope and depth of the articles which follow demonstrate the growing maturity of the East Coast Energy sector, both in the refinement and further definition of the offshore exploration and exploitation regimes that were the focus of the 1st East Coast Seminar in 2000, and the increasing relevance of government and industry interest in land-based hydrocarbons as well as alternative energy sources such as wind and tidal power. This collection reflects the importance of these developments, and also extends to developments (and potential future developments) in the international regime for the exploration of the continental shelf. It is hoped that it will provide a useful resource for practitioners, industry and government as the sector continues to grow in this region.

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